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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Hyperion Energy has announced plans to build a state-of-the-art, environmentally friendly energy center that includes the first new oil refinery to be built in the United States in more than thirty years and;

WHEREAS, Hyperion Energy has identified a portion of Union County, South Dakota as a potential location for the proposed energy center and;

WHEREAS, Hyperion Energy has stated the proposed energy center will meet or exceed all environmental standards required by various federal and state regulatory agencies and;

WHEREAS, Hyperion Energy is demonstrating a commitment to good corporate citizenship and community involvement and;

WHEREAS, Mercy Medical Center—Sioux City understands the potential of significant economic development benefits derived from the construction and operation of an environmentally friendly energy center and;

WHEREAS, Mercy Medical Center—Sioux City understands the need to protect the air and water quality in the area of the proposed energy center and;

WHEREAS, Mercy Medical Center—Sioux City recognizes the need and the process for public input and a complete disclosure of information related to the construction and operation of the proposed energy center.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mercy Medical Center—Sioux City believes that Hyperion Energy should be given every opportunity to demonstrate its ability to build and operate an environmentally safe energy center and pledges its full assistance as a source of medical information and consultation to Hyperion Energy and the citizens of Union County in that process.

Dated this 19th day of March, 2008

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul C. Dougherty".

Paul C. Dougherty
President and Chief Executive Officer
Mercy Medical Center—Sioux City

Living the traditions, visions and values of the Sisters of Mercy, Mercy Medical Center—Sioux City is a 287-bed (staffed) regional medical center that meets the needs of citizens in a 33-county area in Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota. As Siouxland's regional referral center, Mercy provides a broad continuum of preventive, primary, acute and tertiary healthcare services. Nationally and regionally recognized in multiple clinical areas, Mercy also serves as the designated trauma center for the region and provides a vital, lifesaving link to rural areas via Mercy Air Care, the hospital's air ambulance service. Mercy—Sioux City is a member of Trinity Health of Novi, Michigan, the fourth largest Catholic healthcare system in the nation.